

MINUTES
State Allocation Board
March 22, 2000

Upon notice duly given, the monthly meeting of the State Allocation Board was held in Room 4202 of the State Capitol, Sacramento, on March 22, 2000 at 4:16 p.m.

Members of the Board present were as follows:

- Annette Porini, Chief Deputy Director
Designated Chair for B. Timothy Gage, Director, Department of Finance
- Karen McGagin, Deputy Director
Designated representative for Cliff Allenby, Interim Director, Department of General Services
- Duwayne Brooks, Director, School Facilities Planning Division,
Designated representative for Delaine Eastin, Superintendent of Public Instruction
- Assembly Member Marco Firebaugh
- Assembly Member Scott Wildman
- Senator Dede Alpert
- Senator Jack O'Connell

Representatives of the State Allocation Board (SAB) were as follows:

Luisa M. Park, Interim Executive Officer
Bruce Hancock, Assistant Executive Officer

Representative of the Department of General Services, Office of Public School Construction (OPSC) was as follows:

Luisa M. Park, Interim Executive Officer

Representative of the Department of General Services, Office of Legal Services, was as follows:

Garry Ness, Assistant Chief Counsel

With a quorum present, Ms. Porini, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:16 p.m.

PRIOR MINUTES

A motion was made and carried to approve the Minutes of the February 23, 2000 SAB meeting.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S STATEMENT

The Interim Executive Officer advised the Board that the final draft of the Cost Reduction Guidelines are complete, and that comments from Board members and interested parties are encouraged. The guidelines will be presented to the SAB for approval on April 26, 2000.

CONSENT ITEMS

The Board approved the Consent calendar as presented.

FINANCIAL/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Status of Funds

The Board accepted the Status of Funds report as presented.

SPECIAL CONSENT ITEMS

Time Extension Requests for Lease-Purchase Program (LPP) Projects

Mr. Lyle Smoot, representing the Los Angeles Unified School District, came forward to respond to questions from Assembly Member Wildman. Board member Karen McGagin assured Mr. Wildman that the Department of General Services, the Office of Public School Construction and the Department of Toxic Substances Control have been working together to address some of Mr. Wildman's concerns.

In considering this item, the Board approved the staff's recommendations provided on Attachments "A" and "B."

Lemoore Union Elementary School District/Kings County

In considering this item, the Board accepted the staff's recommendation.

Paradise Unified School District/Butte County

Ms. Kristin Schreder represented the District in response to questions presented by Mr. Wildman regarding the District's plan to purchase relocatable classrooms with developer fees. Specifically, he questioned whether the developer fees would be sufficient income to assure housing for the children.

In considering this item, the Board accepted the staff's recommendation.

West Fresno Elementary School District/Fresno County

In considering this item, the Board accepted the staff's recommendation.

La Honda-Pescadero Unified School District/San Mateo County

In considering this item, the Board accepted the staff's recommendations.

Whittier Union High School District/Los Angeles County

In considering this item, the Board accepted the staff's recommendations.

Laguna Salada Union Elementary School District/San Mateo County

In considering this item, the Board approved the staff's recommendations.

Vista Unified School District/San Diego County

In considering this item, the Board accepted the staff's recommendations.

Compton Unified School District/Los Angeles County

In considering this item, the Board accepted the staff's recommendation.

SPECIAL APPEAL ITEMS***Anaheim Union High School District/Orange County***

Mr. Ron Bennett, President of School Services of California, spoke on behalf of the District in response to questions from the Board.

In considering this item, the Board approved the District's "unfunded" modernization approvals with the effective date of January 26, 2000.

Assembly Member Firebaugh presented a State Allocation Board (SAB) resolution for adoption by the Board (copy attached). The proposed SAB resolution requested that the District immediately rescind the resolution adopted by the District's School Board on August 19, 1999.

Upon motion to adopt the resolution, the Chair requested a roll-call vote and action was taken as follows:

MEMBER	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Senator Alpert	X			
Senator O'Connell	X			
Assembly Member Firebaugh	X			
Assembly Member Wildman	X			
Karen McGagin			X	
Duwayne Brooks			X	
Annette Porini			X	
Total	4	0	3	0

Motion:Carried X Failed ***Pierce Joint Unified School District/Colusa County***

The District withdrew this item.

Cupertino Union School District/Santa Clara County

The District withdrew this item.

Minimal Requests for Modernization Grants

In considering this item, the Board approved the staff's recommendation.

POLICY/REGULATIONS***Implementation of AB 191: Special Funding for Gymnasium and Multipurpose Rooms***

In considering this item, the Board elected not to take action until the OPSC had the opportunity to develop alternatives for the use of Lease-Purchase Program (LPP) funds that are available to the SAB.

When considering options, the Board directed OPSC to provide the following:

1. Projections of future LPP funds (i.e., income as a result of close-outs).

2. Develop alternatives that reflect the feasibility of using these funds for joint-use, environmental mitigation, and the proposed policy to implement AB 191.
3. Identify if the proposal requires legislative action.

Staff is to present funding options at a future Board meeting.

Special Education Class Loading and Funding Standards

This item was withdrawn.

School Facility Program Priority Points

In considering this item, the Board approved the staff's recommendations.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Upon inquiry by SAB Chair, Ms. Porini, regarding any public comments, Mr. Virgilio Talao and Mr. Gerald W. Johnson from Small Business Exchange, Inc. addressed the Board. The Small Business Exchange is a nationwide newspaper located in San Francisco, California, and the company is interested in the public school construction program and its involvement with the Disabled Veterans' Business Enterprise (DVBE) program. Messrs. Talao and Johnson distributed copies of an unsolicited proposal to track DVBE participation in school districts' contracts to the Board members, along with a copy of their March 16, 2000 newspaper issue.

INFORMATION/REFERENCE

Cost Reduction Guidelines

This information section of the agenda included the proposed cost reduction guidelines to achieve measurable reductions in the costs of school facilities construction. These guidelines were made available to the general public on the OPSC Web page. The proposed guidelines will be presented to the SAB for approval on April 26, 2000.

Board Meeting Dates for the 2000 Calendar Year

School Facility Program/Modernization Unfunded Approvals List through February 23, 2000

School Facility Program Workload Listing through March 22, 2000

Deferred Maintenance Program/Critical Hardship Unfunded Approvals List through February 23, 2000

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 5:14 p.m.